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Inspection Report

C J'S Great Cats World Park

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CIJ'S GREAT CATS WORLD PARK, INC.

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HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

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<< During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public.>>

A performance using 5 exotic cats was observed on 7/20/2013 at the Colorado Renaissance Festival. All cats were restrained by the licensee using only a hand-held chain collar and leash. Three of these cats, a 3 year old male Leopard named Dexter, an 8 month old female tiger cub named Moxie, and an 8 month old male leopard cub named Kirll, were too large to be safely restrained in this manner in order to assure the safety of the animals and the public. There was no additional barrier other than a rope separating the viewing public from the stage with 2 attendants from the fair posted to prevent people from crossing the rope. This performance was observed by one of the two APHIS inspectors during the inspection conducted on 6/22/2013. During that performance, an additional mechanism for restraint of the large big cats, a cable which is bolted to the stage and attached to the animals collar, was being used but was not used by the licensee during the performance on 7/20/2013. Having adequate control or barriers of large, dangerous animals is necessary to ensure the safety of the viewing public and to prevent the animals from escaping during the performance.

Animals must be handled during public exhibition so there is minimal risk of harm to the animals and to the public and with sufficient distance and/or barriers.

To be corrected immediately.

A focused inspection was conducted at the Colorado Renaissance Festival, Larkspur, CO on 7/20/2013. Accompanied on the inspection by the licensee, an employee, and two APHIS inspectors. Exit interview conducted with facility representatives.

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